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SENATOR CLARK: It looks to me like you could take at least two more days on Select File on those Budget Bills. That's what is worrying me. If we would all pull our amendments off I'm sure we could get them through, but...

PRESIDENT: True..Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, and members of the Legislature. I think one thing you had better take into consideration, and I have asked Senator Proud if he might ...Senator Proud, in establishing at length a time on it. Our Budget Bills, I think we probably would be daydreaming if we didn't expect some line item vetoes in the Budget Bills. Now, if I understand the Constitution correctly, that the Governor does have the right and privilege of line iteming...vetoing that line iteming the Budget Bills that are beyond his request, and lowering them. And if I understand the Constitution correctly, you can override line by line, but we need necessarily to override for the entire bill. Now there is going to be a five-day limitation of time between when those are given to the Governor and the length of time he has to dispose of them. So I think, have you taken this into consideration in our meaning times.

PRESIDENT: Speaker Proud.

SPEAKER PROUD: I've considered it, Senator, I'm not sure what the answer is. What is your suggestion?

SENATOR DUIS: Well, the situation that I believe is, that we must by all means get to these Budget Bills, because the state of necessity must have them to operate on, and consequently they must be completed, and if we spend too much time on them on Select File we will get them over the Final Reading, it takes time, and then we must have the intervening five days time after they are sent there, so that we will have an opportunity to look at his work over there.

SPEAKER PROUD: Senator, I absolutely agree with you, that the top priority around here, must be these Budget Bills, and that we must move them as rapidly as is reasonably possible.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I would suggest that we not take over thirty minutes every morning to decide what we are going to do. Maybe we could decide before we start.

PRESIDENT: Well, Senator Fred Carstens did you want to be heard on this issue. Or is there some other issue you want to be heard on. Motion is to pass over Final Reading for today, and go to Select File. Is there any need for further discussion. If you support the motion then, in that there is a change in the agenda You did ask unanimous consent, that right. Are there objections to passing over Final Reading and going to Select File, today. Passing over Final Reading. Any objections? Hearing none, So Ordered.

CLERK: There is Select File, there are E & R amendments to 1053.